

GENERAL GRANT continues to improve.

HON. JOHN G. CARLISLE will return to Washington early this week.

SENATOR BLACKBURN has returned to Washington. Senator Beck is still there.

SIXTY convicts have been sent to Rowan County to work on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad.

THE Mexican Congress has declared it would not interfere in the troubles of the Central American States.

REPORTS show that the April condition of winter wheat in Illinois has not been more favorable for years than this season.

At a meeting of ex-Confederate soldiers at Chattanooga, resolutions were unanimously adopted tendering sympathy to General Grant in his affliction.

THE Washington correspondent of the Courier-Journal says that the appointment of two prominent Kentuckians to lucrative places will be made by the President this week.

MYRON PECK, of Rochester, N. Y., a strong Blaine man during the late Presidential canvass, has filed his application for the Belgian Mission. He exhibits gall of the first quality.

THE tenure of office act is receiving searching attention at the hands of the President and no appointments will be made where it would apply until the question is finally settled.

THE business failures during the last seven days number for the United States 189, and for Canada 23, or a total of 212 as compared with a total of 236 last week, and 277 the week previous.

THE President has not yet approved the appointment of A. J. Gross, of Cloverport, as United States Marshal for Kentucky, and it is rumored that he objects to some of the influences active in procuring it.

THE Department of Agriculture reports on the present showing, the reduction of the yield of wheat, on the basis of last year's production, promises to be 40,000,000 bushels on account of the area, and more than 60,000,000 from winter killing and low vitality.

A DESPATCH from San Francisco, Cal., says: "To-day has completely changed the probabilities respecting the wheat crop of California. Copious rains have been falling all day over the State, and it is still raining to-night. Should no blighting North winds prevail in May or June the yield will equal that of the previous year."

THE Lexington Gazette says: The late Mrs. Durham, wife of Hon. M. J. Durham, member of Congress from this State, was plain in her manners but a most kind-hearted and excellent woman. While in Washington she was presented to Mrs. Bruce, wife of the colored Senator and saluted her politely. "How do you do, Auntie?" Mrs. Bruce did not relish such familiarity.

THE revised edition of the Old Testament will be issued to the public on May 1st. Several American publishers have made efforts to forestall the issue in England by attempting to secure advance proofs, some of them having offered as high as \$5,000 for single advance prints. This revised version is the property of Cambridge and Oxford, England and the efforts of the American book publishers, becoming known, have caused those having the work under control to adopt the strictest precautions to prevent publication. The orders for the revised Old Testament already exceed those secured before publication for the revised version of the New Testament.

PEOPLE who study economy have learned that the time to buy is when times are hard. When money is tight the merchant is led to mark his goods at the smallest margin possible. In dull times also it is the duty of those who have been blessed with wealth to encourage industry by purchasing liberally of things which they must eventually use. They need not, however, look on the matter in a charitable light, as they will also serve selfish interests by purchasing useful articles at cheap rates. This is one of the periods of depression which sensible people with means may turn to their decided advantage. There are many articles of utility in the market which may be bought for a less price than will prevail again for many years. Values are bound to appreciate soon. The merchant, too, who imagines that this is not a good time to advertise is sadly mistaken. In hard times people look about before they make purchases. And they will patronize men who, through popular newspapers, tell of the bargains they have to offer. The merchant who believes that it is a waste of money to advertise when times are hard makes a great mistake.

DESERTED THE BABY.

A Woman's Tale of Wrong and Her Strange Disappearance.

NEWBURG, N. Y., April 13.—A young woman with an infant child, supposed to be from Philadelphia, stopped at a hotel here. The woman said that she was married in Jackson, Mich., fifteen months ago; that last month her husband deserted her and the child, and that she came to this city to find a relative, but was unsuccessful. Being left destitute, she applied to the almshouse commissioners for aid, she disappeared leaving the child behind her. Attached to the child's dress was a slip of paper containing these words:

"I am going to commit suicide. Let my husband take care of the baby when he comes. Life is hard for me."

Neither the woman nor her husband has been heard from since. The child is in the Newburg almshouse. It is surmised by some that the woman came here merely to get rid of the child, and that she has not committed suicide. The affair is involved in mystery.

ENTIRELY FICTITIOUS.

The True Story of Mr. Tim Collins' Coal Mine.

SEDALIA, Mo., April 13.—Mr. Tim Collins, of Moberly, Mo., who was in the city, states that the sensational story of a buried city being discovered under his coal shaft is a sheer fabrication designed to do him great injury. No such discovery, or anything like it, he says, has been made. The names of parties as given are fictitious.

He has not himself been in Moberly this week. His shaft is not 350 feet, but only 255 feet deep, and terminates in a six-foot coal vein, which is being successfully worked. He has not, and never has had, any business connection with Britton A. Hill, or any other St. Louis party, and no Sedalia parties are assisting him financially. He expects to return home, and says he is going east in a few days to secure funds for enlarging his mining facilities, and claims his mine is the best ever opened in the state.

After Thirty Years.

MUFFLESTOWN, Pa., April 13.—John Pickersgill, seventy years old, died, and, breathing his last, confessed that he was implicated in the murder of "Black Jack" Jones, a negro, thirty years ago. "Black Jack" was a peddler and in April, 1855, his dead body was found on the shore near Mexico Landing. He was known to have left in a boat a few days before with several boatmen and when they returned they claimed that Jones fell from the boat and was drowned. This story was believed until this confession. Pickersgill said that Jones was entertaining the crew with his fiddle when one of the men hit him on the head with a boat pole and killed him. The body was thrown on the landing near Mexico and all swore to keep the murder secret. Three of the principals, now aged, are still living in the state and Pickersgill gave their names to the authorities.

THE CONDENSED.

Fresh, Pithy, News Items Boiled Down for the Hurried Reader.

George H. Mills was hanged for wife murder at Brooklyn.

Mrs. Catharine Monier starved herself to death at Canton, O.

Herman Tenbel was crushed by a "fall" in a coal mine at Bellevue, O.

The family of the late Gen. Barrios has left Guatemala for San Francisco.

Levi Bayer, of Bellevue, O., fatally shot Henry A. Tilberry in self-defense.

At Worcester, Mass., the Worcester Cremation Society was formally organized.

It is reported that the bad weather and cold have ruined the fruit crop in Missouri.

The imports of dry goods at the New York port for the week ended April 10 were \$5,899,725.

The April crop report of the secretary of state of Michigan shows the condition to be above par.

Wm. Hageman committed suicide by hanging himself to a pear tree in the suburbs of Cincinnati.

Julius Loiseau, a professor in Columbus college, committed suicide at his home in Woodside, L. I.

Col. S. C. Mower, one of the proprietors of the Milwaukee Sunday Telegraph, committed suicide by shooting.

Mrs. Adam Wolfe mother of the late Mrs. General T. J. Brady, died at Muncie, Ind., of cancer of the stomach.

Edward Lambert, of Chicago, who murdered his mother-in-law, attempted to kill his wife, and then shot himself.

Shepherd Simmes, a train hand, was killed by an express on the C. H. and D. railroad at Maplewood, near Cincinnati.

A. V. Arnold, a lumber merchant of Wilkesburg, Pa., discouraged at the business depression, committed suicide by shooting.

Indians at Frog Lake, B. A., killed eight whites, among them Indian Agent J. J. Turin. Other forts are surrounded, and settlers are in great danger.

The police commissioners of Cincinnati have passed resolutions to suppress gambling, bunks and street-walking, but passed by more elegant prostitution.

C. F. Knowlton, Esq., and E. B. Halstead, lumber dealer, both of Cincinnati, were arrested and bound over to the grand jury on the charge of embezzlement.

Returns to the department of agriculture indicate a reduction in the area of winter wheat of over 10 per cent., the shortage in all states being 3,000,000 acres.

Mrs. Grossman, the widow of the late Dr. John Grossman, a once well-to-do and prominent physician, died at her home at Winchester, Ohio, aged seventy-four years.

Bob Cassidy, of Lexington, Ky., attempted suicide at Millersburg by taking four grains of morphine. He was almost dead, but by the aid of two physicians his life was saved.

A secret organization is being formed by prominent citizens of Chicago with a view to a vigilance committee, if that should be necessary, to protect the ballot box and suppress crime.

An epidemic of black tongue fever is raging in Overton county, Tenn. Over thirty deaths in the past few days. Physicians are puzzled and unable to manage it, every case proving fatal.

A freight train of seventeen cars went through a bridge over Indian Creek, on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, eight miles east of Connellsville, Pa. Conductor and brakeman killed.

Mrs. Vinches and Joseph Fisher, held a Canton, O., on the charge of poisoning the former's husband, were released, an examination having revealed no poison in the deceased's stomach.

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My sufferings became so intense that it was impossible for me to rest. The doctors advised me to go to the city hospital for treatment. This I could not bear. A friend, who has proved a friend indeed, urged me to try Swift's Specific, believing it would cure me. Others discouraged me, but I secured a few bottles and have now taken two dozen bottles. The first effect of the medicine was to bring the poison to the surface and I broke out all over in runny sores. They soon disappeared and my skin cleared off. My knees, which had become twice their natural size, have resumed their usual size and are supple as of yore. My arms and hands are all right again and can use them without pain. The entire disease has left all parts of the body save two ulcers on my wrists, which are healing rapidly. I am weak from long confinement, but I have the use of all my limbs. This medicine is bringing me out of the greatest trial of my life and I cannot find words sufficient to express my appreciation of its virtues and the gratitude I feel that I ever heard of it.

PETER E. LOVE, Augusta, Ga. January 9, 1885.

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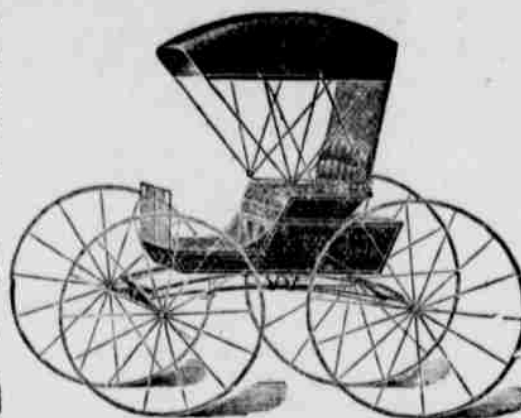
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